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REV. EMILIE PITCOCK ACCEPTS POSITION WITH STATE OF GEORGIA

The Rev. Mill Emilie Pitcock, Minister of Christian Education for the Southeast Conference since September 1966, has accepted a position with the State of Georgia as a Social Service Consultant with Family and Children's Services in the Department of Human Resources whose offices are in Atlanta.

In her new work, to which she will report on September 11, 1972, she will help counties and regions of the state utilize volunteers in their various programs.

Miss Pitcock's departure from the Southeast Conference staff comes as a result of a decision made by the Board of Directors at a special meeting held Monday, June 19. Following that meeting she was given a notice of the termination of her employment "as of January 1, 1973."

In addition to her work during the past six years, she was employed in the area also from June 1, 1961 thru December 1963 by the former Southeast Convention, Congregational Christian Churches.

Miss Pitcock and her aunt, Miss Nettie Pitcock, will continue to make their home at 2925 Appling Drive, Atlanta, Georgia (Phone 404-451-6975), and will be happy to hear from and see friends of the Conference.

E. P.

Fall Association Meetings Scheduled

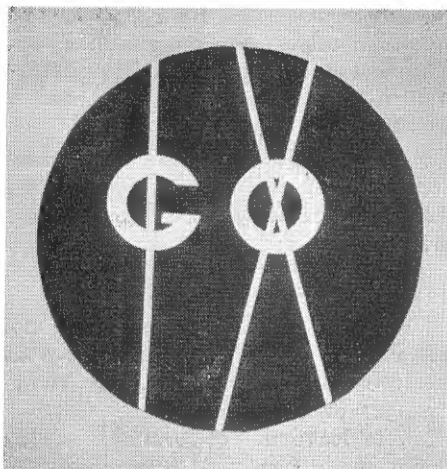
Dates having been announced for the Fall meetings of the various associations, pastors and delegates are asked to put them in their calendars and plan to attend:

September 30—NORTH ALABAMA, at Houston, Liberty Hill.

October 7 — ALABAMA-TENNESSEE, at Knoxville, Tenn., Church of the Savior.

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Council for Lay Life and Work PROGRAM RESOURCES 1972-73



Since the program year for men's and women's and mixed groups in most churches begins in the fall, the first packet of **Program Resources** contains the bulk of materials suggested for use in local churches beginning in the fall of 1972. Additional program resources will be issued later to "catch up" items not available now.

AS YOU GO . . ., worship/program book, 75c, contains 9 complete programs. Also suggestions for an installation service, and basic ideas for leaders who plan programs.

"GO" BUTTON AND CARD, 15c (10c each in lots of 25 or more), which may be used as a name tag at meetings.

"G" GUMMED STICKER, 5" in diameter, 5c, for use on yearly program books, programs for special meetings, bulletins.

FOUR CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICES, 30c, selected by young adults. Successor to current ones which are proving so popular.

ADVENTURE IN FAITH VII, a personalized study on The Statement of Faith, 10c. Three alternative presentations. Effective for any-sized youth/adult group.

SIMULTANEOUS HAPPENINGS ON

THE CIRCUS EARTH, 30c. Contains challenges for your group's involvement: a puzzle game, suggestions for movie viewing/discussing, and a consideration of the idea of Christians who affirm humanity. Designated to stimulate personal thinking and involvement of the "whole people" of your church — men/women, youth/adults.

SURVIVAL KIT, 20c, a "fun thing" with deep implications. Contains objects needed for "personal survival" in our day: seeds of growth, a balloon of celebration and other articles to stimulate your imagination. Excellent for the "first meeting" to lead right into the "As You Go" subject.

MISSION IDEAS FOR RURAL CONGREGATIONS, 10c. Another answer to requests for "something to help the smaller churches."

ENVIRONMENT ACTION BULLETIN contains many suggestions in this important area.

NEW MEDIA NEWS — Sample copy of U. C. C. publication which goes to each local church regularly, publicizing films/filmstrips available for rent or sale.

FILM PROGRAMS FOR CHURCH GROUPS — excellent lists of free films made available by industry, government, foundations from depositories across the country.

PROGRAM RESOURCES contains also the new **HIGHWAYS OF SERVICE**, providing material aid suggestions; the new report of the Service Division of U. C. B. W. M., which contains material for an effective program; a calendar sheet showing 1972 All-Church offerings; Wright Studio and Friendship Press catalogs; and a new Council for Lay Life and Work catalog called **WHOLE PEOPLE**, containing usable bargain materials from past years; order blanks for denominational

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Walt Coddington and Bobby Hodnett at Junior Camp cookout.

Roosevelt Summer Camps Held In August

A full program of recreation, study, worship, and arts and crafts kept campers and staff well occupied at both the Junior and Junior High Camps held at Roosevelt State Park, Pine Mountain, Georgia, August 13-19.

And did we eat! In addition to delicious meals, planned and prepared by Misses Lynn and Jackie Pledger, there were cook-outs, canteen, and homemade ice cream.

Some campers learned to swim for the first time; others improved skills of swimming and diving. When we walked in the sand, we had to watch lest we step on a sand candle being molded. Scavengers hunted for boxes or pans in which to form plaster-of-paris plaques. Several people showed themselves to be quite adept at whittling.

There were testing times: like when the junior highs tested each other's honesty and openness, or when the juniors tried to think on their own level of the meaning of some Bible teachings in today's living; or on closing night when both camps participated in a Candlelight Communion Service by the dock.

There were hilarious times: like stunt night, or the softball game when it was too dark to see the ball, or when a camper put ice down a counselor's back, or when a snake invaded one of the junior high cabins.

On Wednesday the Junior Highs and one Junior visited the Warm Springs Foundation and the Little White House; on Thursday the Juniors explored some of the State Park.

There were other opportunities for

As I Leave The Southeast Conference

It would have been nice . . .

. . . to feel a sense of support which regarded a broad Christian education ministry as a serious priority rather than a mere "store-window dressing."

. . . to experience the Southeast Conference as a viable expression of Christian pluralism rather than only a narrow monism.

. . . to evaluate, openly and honestly, at intervals, rather than being offered second-hand and vague insinuations at the end.

. . . to dialogue with the Board of Directors concerning dismissal, rather than receiving a paper stating terms of dissolution of the ministry.

. . . to feel some warm handshakes from the decision-makers rather than the desolation of silence or vague rationalizations for the situation.

. . . to help plan for a "smooth transition" rather than being ignored.

. . . to feel that any possible terminal settlements were genuine expressions of love rather than either "guilt offerings" or obligations.

. . . to leave in celebration, feeling some semblance of accomplishment rather than utter worthlessness.

The "it-would-have-been-nices . . ." are some evidences of God's grace. In recent days they have not been mediated to me through the policy-makers of the Southeast Conference.

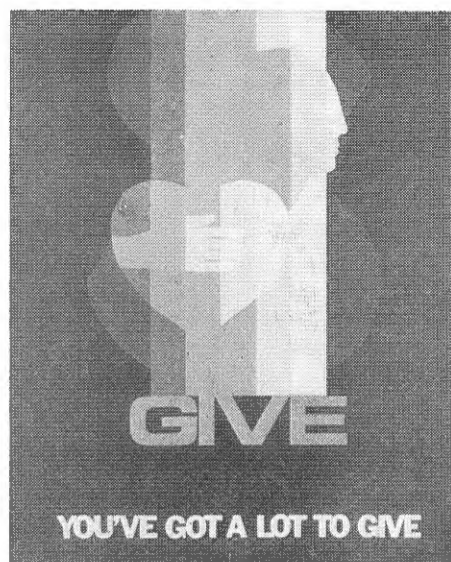
Yet, from many of our people as individual persons have come expressions of gratitude, friendship, and love — not necessary, but positive manifestations of God's grace.

WHAT HAPPENS TO MANIFESTATIONS OF GOD'S GRACE WHEN STRUCTURES ARE AT STAKE?

—Emilie Pitcock, the Questioner

study and reflection, sometimes by groups, other times by individual persons. Camp was a "mixed bag" of growing human relationships with the out-of-doors as base.

Thanks of the joint chairmen, Trudi Sanford (UCC) and Jack Bunkley (UPCUSA), go to counselors, aides, and dietitian and her assistant for their hard work, cheerful dispositions, and deep commitment to effective leadership and being enablers of campers to lead also.



Stewardship Fall Packet Distributed

Give — You've Got a Lot to Give

By now, every congregation should have received the 1972 Fall Packet of materials from the Stewardship Council.

Especially important at this time of year is the announcement of a new Multi-Media Training Kit for Enlistment visitors. Samples of the annual Christian Enlistment theme materials are included, utilizing the theme, "You've Got a Lot to Give." A brand new year-round Stewardship Series included an engagement calendar, leaflets, and — for the first time — paper banners. "Moments of Concern," formerly published in TASK FORCE, are included in the packet for the first time.

"Neighbors in Need" materials, previously sampled in the Fall Packet, have now been automatically shipped to every church in sufficient quantity for use in this all-church offering.

If for any reason your church did not receive the Fall Packet, or the special mailing of "Neighbors in Need" materials, write immediately to the Stewardship Council, 1505 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102.

Mr. Rendar Fuller of Cusseta, Ala., died on Wednesday, August 9. Mr. Fuller was a deacon in the Lanett Congregational Christian Church. He is the father of Millard Fuller whom many people across the Conference know. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Joe A. French, former pastor of the church, on Friday, Aug. 11.

SEC SADDENED BY UNEXPECTED DEATH OF DR. W. T. SCOTT SR.

In the sudden death of Dr. William T. Scott Sr. Monday, July 17, 1972, the churches of the Southeast Conference and other conferences in the Southern Region of the United Church of Christ lost one of their most distinguished leaders, one of their best-known Christian ministers and Christian executives.

He worked in many fields and at many levels, but he often said he liked best working for and with young people. It was for this reason that, although in less than robust health, he agreed to join the staff of Elon Home for Children in 1970 to work throughout the churches in the interest of the children of the home. Just prior to that time he had served as Director of Church Relations for Elon College. In that position he moved among the churches, bringing the message of the college to the churches and relating the churches to the college.

Dr. Scott filled many pastorates and held many important positions in the 49 years since his ordination upon graduation from Elon College. Born in Ramseur, North Carolina, he was orphaned at the age of 10 years. He frequently said that he almost came to live at the Elon Home for Children at one time when it appeared that his family might not be able to make other arrangements. After high school, he attended Elon College and received his degree.

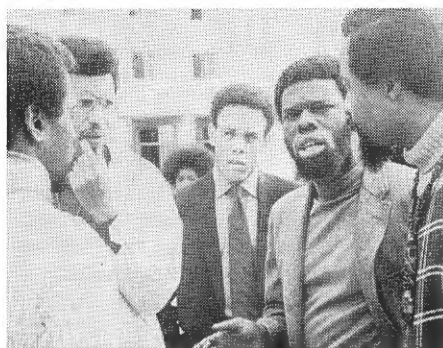
In the Southeast Convention, he prepared the way for the development of the United Church of Christ, as the Congregational Christian Churches and the Evangelical and Reformed Churches merged in 1957.

Although suffering from arthritis in recent years he never seemed to lose his cheerfulness nor his enthusiasm.

He is survived by his widow, Della Cotten Scott; two sons, Rev. Wm. T. Scott Jr., minister at Central Congregational Church, Atlanta, Ga., and James Scott of Elon College, N. C., and one daughter, Mrs. James Luke of Waverly, Va.

He was, in terms of what an early church father described a Bishop to be, "A servant of the servants of the Lord."

W. J. A.



What Is Black Power About?

Bill Land, CRJ organizer (fourth from left), talking with group.

Sometimes white people get upset at the very words "black power." The words conjure up in their minds images of inner-city riots, burning, and looting. Power thus unleashed is a fearful prospect.

But black power need not be thought of in these terms. It can and does mean black people — and by extension, all minority people — establishing enough voting power to elect politicians who will represent their interests in city, state, and nation. It can and does mean black people gaining economic power to shake off the inequalities of our present system and become more than minimally self-supporting, able to provide for themselves and for their children the essentials and the luxuries of life. It can and does mean black people finding the psychological power to look into a mirror and say, "I'm black and proud of it!"

Black power is partly an individual matter — one person finding the inner resources of faith, ability, hope and courage to launch out, head held high.

But it is also partly a community matter — people working together, upholding one another in the struggle for justice and equality. There is where our Commission for Racial Justice (CRJ) comes into the picture. Working with other groups and coalitions of groups, CRJ is engaged in a wide variety of activities designed to give power to powerless groups within the community. Leadership — sometimes from outside an immediate situation — is needed if powerless people are to organize themselves and gain the leverage needed to change their life situation.

Uniquely, CRJ is working within the
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Why Not Order The 1972 U. C. C. Yearbook?

A wealth of information useful to U.C.C. members is contained in the 1972 *Yearbook Church of Christ*: listings of Conferences and their churches; U.C.C. ministers with their addresses; directory of all the officers, boards, councils, commissions and committees elected by General Synod; directory of Conferences, their staffs, their associations and their registrars.

Also listed are ordinands, armed forces and institutional chaplains, missionaries, licentiates and other persons serving as pastors of U.C.C. churches, lay members serving on national boards and councils, university and college chaplains, and the member agencies of the Council for Higher Education and of the Council for Health and Welfare.

The 1972 Yearbook is available for \$2.00 in lots of four or more mailed to the same address and in a single order. Individual copies cost \$2.50 per copy, postpaid in both instances.

Enclose a check or money order payable to the United Church of Christ, and order from The United Church of Christ, 297 Park Ave. South, Room 75, New York, N. Y. 10010.

DID YOU SEE IT?

We hope you did! The July/August issue of the United Church Herald included a sixteen-page "handbook" on How to Strengthen Your Local Church.

This reminds us to remind you that the July/August issue of U.C.H. is the last one in its familiar format. September 1972 begins the United Church Herald edition of A.D. 1972, published in cooperation with Presbyterian Life. . . .

Good reading!

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NEWS OF CHURCHES OF THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE

First Church, Nashville, Secures New Minister

The Rev. Allen Hollis, Jr., and his family will move from Langdale, Ala., in September 1972, to Nashville, Tenn., where he will become minister of First Evangelical & Reformed Church, U.C.C., a congregation of 225 members and approximately 100 in the Church School.

In recent years a new educational building has been erected, and under way is a program to revitalize Christian education and youth activities. Although many members live some distance from the church, a number are still seriously interested in ministering to the community around the church site. The members feel that Mr. Hollis and his family will be effective leaders.

Mr. Hollis has been minister of Langdale Congregational Christian Church since 1965. During that time the church has renovated much of its facilities, and has built the Fellowship Hall and some new Church School rooms. The pastor's study has been relocated in the new part of the building. The Langdale Church has also added new members, has reached out to new ministry in the community and a developing concern for others.

Don Orander Enrolled In C. P. E. Program

At a duly called meeting on Sunday, June 25, 1972, the congregation of Brookmeade Church, Nashville, Tenn., approved Pastor Don Orander's participation in the Clinical Pastoral Education Program, effective September 12. Offered by the Department of Pastoral Care of Vanderbilt University Hospital, the twelve-month program requires pastors to serve as internes to the hospital Chaplain, visiting patients, counseling with families in crisis situations, participating in seminars and other study programs. Its aim is to increase a minister's skills in counseling and caring for the sick and their families.

Pastor Orander will be involved with the congregation on a part-time basis with the following priorities: visiting the sick, counseling members and friends, worship preparation, confirmation classes, leading worship except on fourth Sunday, and working with Council and Boards. A part-time Associate Pastor will carry some additional responsibilities.

PUBLISHED BOOK TO BENEFIT CHURCH

The Rev. William R. Winterbottom, pastor of First U.C.C., Crossville, Tenn., announced recently to his congregation that Mrs. Helen Bullard Krechniak, a church member, had waived all royalty rights for the second printing of her book *Cumberland County's First Hundred Years*. All profits are being given to the church. Along with her husband, Joe Marshall Krechniak, Mrs. Krechniak compiled the first printing in 1956 in conjunction with Cumberland County's Centennial Celebration.

Helen Bullard Krechniak lives in a log cabin on the Cumberland Plateau. There she carves wooden dolls for museums and collectors, and sculpts large figures in wood. She has written numerous articles for regional and national magazines on contemporary artist's dolls and Tennessee crafts.

Her books include *The American Doll Artist*; *Dorothy Heizer, the Artist and Her Work*. She was also "ghost writer" for Doctor Woman of the *Cumberlands*, the autobiography of Dr. May Cravath Wharton, founder of Wharton Home in Pleasant Hill, Tenn.

Joseph Marshall Krechniak, who wrote short stories for the *Saturday Evening Post* and similar magazines for more than twenty-five years, developed the story for *Cumberland County's First Hundred Years* and acted as editor, wielding a blue pencil happily over his wife's copy.

Anyone interested in purchasing copies of the paperback edition (\$4.50) can do so by writing to First United Church of Christ, P. O. Box 475, Crossville, Tenn. 38555.

Brookmeade Aids In Food Stamp Program

Several members and friends of Brookmeade Church, Nashville, Tenn., have been working on Thursday mornings at the Church Street office of the Tennessee Department of Public Welfare. Their assistance of persons filling out applications was precipitated by the large number of potential applicants, many of whom waited all day long, only to be turned away.

Sibyl Faust, Women's Guild President, has headed up the effort. Assistants have included Donna Bonnell, Ellen Bell, Pat Burton, and Don Orander.

Pastor Looks For Trouble

The Sunday before I left you to go on vacation, I referred to a previous comment I had made on the calling a minister does . . . I said that ninety-eight percent of the time he encountered real needs. I then quoted one of our men who had asked me, "You mean a minister goes out looking for trouble?" The answer, of course, is "Yes!"

With your permission, on Sunday morning, August 20, I would like to try an experiment. Each of us has his or her own personal problem; it may be with regard to our family, our own personal life, our faith, or one of a host of other things. Will you write your problem on a slip of paper and bring it to church with you. Do this anonymously. We will place these papers on a plate, mix them up, and then draw them out one at a time. In so far as time will allow, we will talk about each problem, pray about it, and see if we can help each other as members of a family should try to do.

S. L. JOHNSON

Pilgrim Church Birmingham, Ala.

Successful Vacation Church School Held

More than ninety children were enrolled in the Vacation Church School conducted jointly by Pilgrim Congregational Church U.C.C. and Stanley Methodist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn. Music classes, arts and crafts, multimedia production and field trips focused in on the theme "God's Diversity" under the co-direction of Mrs. Mary Sheppard and Mrs. Izetta Taylor. Volunteer teachers and helpers were recruited from both congregations.

Harold A. Schulz Moves To Texas

The Rev. Harold A. Schulz, former minister of St. Johns Church in Cullman, Alabama, has accepted the chaplaincy of the Eden Home for the Aged, beginning October 1, 1972. His address after that date: Eden Home for the Aged, 631 Lakeview Blvd., New Braunfels, Texas 78130.

Mr. Schulz has been living in Prattville, Alabama, doing some writing and working in a rehabilitation center for the State of Alabama. He also served as interim pastor of the Mt. Olive Church, Tallahassee, Alabama.

New Home, Indian Creek Churches Report Progress

Rev. James W. Walters, Pastor of New Home and Indian Creek Churches in South Alabama, indicates that both congregations are making improvements:

During the past month, New Home Church has had a well drilled, and is in the "talking stage" of adding new restrooms. Attendance has increased at the Worship Services and at the Prayer and Bible Study on Wednesday night. A Revival will be held beginning the third Sunday in September.

Indian Creek's attendance is growing, even though there has been much sickness and several deaths in the community.

To quote the Rev. Mr. Walters, "I believe both churches are going forward in the Lord's work and ask that you remember us in your prayers."

Walter A. Graham Retires

Although we read it in a periodical of the National Council of Independent Junior Colleges, we didn't believe it! — Walter A. Graham, first Director of the Council, retired effective August 31.

We of the Southeast Conference have known Dr. Graham best as President of Southern Union College, Wadley, Ala., and its successor Southern Union State Junior College. He also served for 11 years as Director of the Laymen's Fellowship of the Congregational Christian Churches. Earlier he had held several Federal Government posts.

Mrs. Graham was the gracious hostess at many Southern Union functions and presided frequently at the piano for Conference and Association events.

Dr. and Mrs. Graham retired to Pembroke, Kentucky. But we expect to hear more from them ere long.

Program Resources. . . (fr. p. 1) publications; fliers about work of Church Women United, American Bible Society, World Council of Churches.

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Agnes Found The U.C.C. There

Weeks after tropical storm Agnes churned her way up the East Coast dumping record rains on community after community, U.C.C. people, along with millions of others were still struggling to assess the damage, to clean up, and to rebuild as best they could.

Damage was most extensive in Virginia, Pennsylvania, and New York State: About half the 340 members of First U.C.C., Corning, N. Y., including their pastor, have been left homeless; more than 100 members of First U.C.C., Elmira, N. Y., are also without homes. At least 95 families' homes were damaged in Penn Southeast Conference. Hummelston, Pa., U.C.C. lost 7 pianos and had heavy damage done to its organ. One pastor in Penn Central Conference lost the home he was restoring with his housing allowance.

But the widespread destruction was only one side of the story. The other side was the speed and spirit with which U.C.C. people responded.

In addition to thousands of dollars made available immediately to the affected areas by the United Church Board for World Ministries Service Division, thousands more from churches and individuals were being directed to U.C.C.'s "Flood Relief Fund" through the Service Division.

Major thrust of relief efforts has been ecumenical and in cooperation with state or local social agencies. And local congregations and conferences have: organized teams of volunteers to help with clean-up; provided funds for a flood information phone service; borrowed money to aid stricken communities; adopted villages for which to provide food, equipment and money; giving a place of worship for congregations of various denominations whose edifices were damaged; providing temporary shelters for the homeless and distribution centers for food and clothing.

Said the Rev. Dr. B. Kenneth Anthony, who heads the Service Division, "The headlines (concerning Agnes) have gone, but the kind of human need that we must try to meet goes on."

WHAT \$1 A YEAR DOES IN GHANA

When Dr. Richard O. Braun, presently at Crossville, Tenn., recalls his service in Ghana, West Africa, he says, "We found it possible to keep a child alive and fairly healthy for just one dollar of health-care money a year."

With only two doctors and a budget of \$100,000 for a population of 100,000 people in the Tongu District of Ghana, the 118-bed hospital which Dr. Braun directed was charged by the Government to provide health care of the people of Tongu, assisted by only a few Government health officers.

Obviously, they couldn't do everything that needed to be done, so they started with persons in each village who suffer and are most likely to die — the small children. Infant mortality rate in many villages is still over 250 per 1,000 live births in much of Africa.

The clinic team visits 14 villages once a month and one large village twice a month. Emphasis is on nutrition and on preventive medicine.

Evangelical Presbyterian Church Hospital at Adidome, sponsor of the clinic program, is supported by the United Church Board for World Ministries.

In addition to the Well-Baby Clinics, the hospital had 3,000 admissions last year and 30,000 out-patient visits, and performed 1,500 operations — all with a staff of two doctors and 25 nurses!

Miss Doris Brewster Is Honored

Miss Doris Marie Brewster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brewster, Sweetwater, Tenn., and member of First United Church of Christ, received the Daughters of the American Revolution's Good Citizenship Award for 1972.

Selection of winners is based on the following qualifications: honor, service, courage, leadership, and patriotism. In addition, Miss Brewster was chosen by her high school faculty as the most deserving student to receive the Monroe County Scholarship, awarded by Hiwassee College.

WINTER UNITED CHURCH TOURS OFFERED

Join one of the groups going to Greece, Turkey or the Holy Land during the winter when travel is less expensive. For dates, prices and complete itinerary write United Church Tours, 1505 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102.

'The Spirit Of The Congregation'

We urge congregations to take seriously the following suggestions published by the U. C. C. Council for Church and Ministry, with the cooperation of the Council for Lay Life and Work:

OUR MINISTRY — This congregation fulfills its purpose as it becomes a community for ministry. We recognize our pastor as a person with professional skills among us.

FREEDOM OF THE PULPIT — We affirm our pastor's freedom of the pulpit. We expect him to proclaim and teach the Word of the Lord in relation to contemporary personal and social issues. We want our minister to stimulate and help nurture among us Christian living, and through us, a humane social order.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP — Our minister is ordained to his calling. His leadership is needed in our life together. We bring to our pastor personal and community needs that might not otherwise come to his attention. We work with him for the expression of this congregation's Christian life and spirit in our neighborhood, in the church, in the world.

PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR PASTOR — We recognize the necessity for our minister to have regular time each week for study and renewal. Further, we will provide time and money, beyond his vacation, for continuing education.

We welcome the minister's family in this congregation. They are not to be required to assume roles of leadership. We help safeguard adequate time for them to enjoy family activities together.

We provide for regular consultation with our pastor through a Church and Ministry Committee. We help him understand us, and we respect his perception of his ministry. Should divisive tensions threaten our life together, we will seek the counsel of a Conference Minister and/or the Association Committee on Church and Ministry. We are part of the whole United Church of Christ!

REVIEWING OUR PASTOR'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT — Each year a small, representative committee of our congregation carefully reviews our pastor's base salary, and other financial support. Our responsibility includes housing, utilities, travel expense, health insurance, continuing education, family protection, and retirement benefits. We consider the cost of living, family needs, professional competence, and years of service.

CHALLENGE FOR US AS CHURCH MEMBERS — We are called to be pilgrims! We are to move on, to grow, like Abraham, to new possibilities. We want to respond to leadership as we grow in trusting relationships with both God and man.

BEGINNING AND COMPLETING RELATIONSHIPS WITH A PASTOR — When a minister is being considered for a call, our Pastoral Committee will remember, through the entire experience of correspondence and personal interviews, that he and his family are sensitive human beings. When a pastoral relationship is being terminated, for whatever reasons, our church officers will be compassionate and generous.

THE WHOLE MINISTRY OF GOD'S PEOPLE — We believe in the whole ministry of God's people — pulpit and pew together. This ministry depends upon the leadership and labor of both the ordained professional and the committed lay person. All of us bring our particular skills, our faithfulness, our strengths and our weaknesses, in response to the Christian Gospel. We worship and work together to become God's people in this place.

FALL MEETINGS (From Page 1)

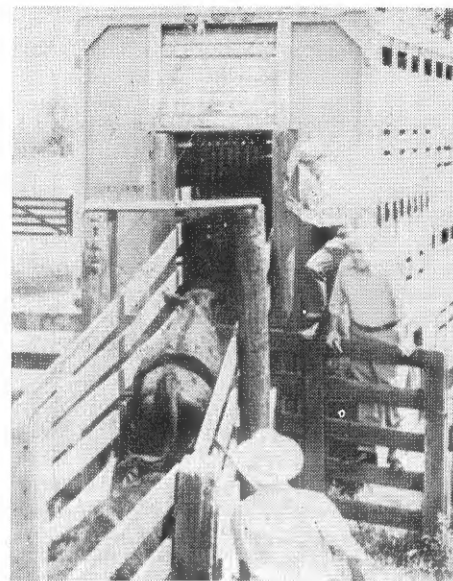
October 11 and 12 — EAST ALABAMA, at Columbus, Ga., First, and Phenix City, Ala., First.

October 14 — SOUTH ALABAMA-NORTHWEST FLORIDA, at Clio, New

Hope.

October 15 — CENTRAL ALABAMA (location not determined at writing).

October 21 — GEORGIA - SOUTH CAROLINA, Central Church, Atlanta, Ga.



Heifer Project, Inc. Comes Onto Reservation

Last May, Nathan Little Soldier returned home to Newton, North Dakota, accompanied by twenty-two registered Angus heifers and seven registered Angus bulls, shipped from Heifer Project's international livestock center in Arkansas to the Affiliated Tribes on the Fort Berthold reservation, in North Dakota. Mr. Little Soldier, who heads the Three Affiliated Tribes Community Action Program in Newton, is a member of the United Church of Christ and is active in the Ft. Berthold Council of Churches which coordinates U.C.C. work on the reservation.

The heifers and bulls will form the nucleus of a tribal herd which will be kept intact for a year or two before individual cattle are given to families living in isolated locations on the large reservation.

The Council for American Indian Ministry of the U.C.C. contributed \$500 to transportation costs of bringing the donated cattle to North Dakota for this inter-tribal project. Heifer Project, Inc., has for many years provided registered animals to upgrade cattle in many parts of the world. This shipment was one of the first, however, to aid American Indians.

BLACK POWER (From Page 2)

United Church of Christ to help black churches discover their role of ministry to whites as well as to blacks, within the total community of which we are ourselves a part.